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SUBJ: FOLLOW UP ON NAMIBIA TALKS

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1. IN MEETING WITH KAUNDA'S SPECIAL ASSISTANT CHONA MAY 10 ON RHODESIAN DEVELOPMENTS (REFTEL C), I ALSO BRIEFED HIM ON CAPETOWN TALKS. IT WAS CLEAR THAT MINISTER OF STATE SILWIZYA HAD NOT YET GIVEN HIM A REPORT OF HIS BRIEFING BY CONTACT GROUP (REFTEL B).

2. CHONA VOICED THE USUAL SKEPTICISM ABOUT SOUTH AFRICA'S REAL MOTIVES, WONDERING IF SOUTH AFRICANS WERE NOT ENGAGED ONCE MORE IN A PLOY TO DELAY ANY MOVEMENT ON NAMIBIA. HE DEFINED SWAPO'S STICKING POINTS AS FOLLOWS: (1) ELECTIONS
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(EVEN THOUGH SWAPO HAD ADVOCATED ELECTIONS FOR YEARS) WOULD BE SEEN AS SOME SORT OF TRAP; (2) THE CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY WOULD LOOK TO SWAPO LIKE A MANEUVER BY SOUTH AFRICA TO CONSOLIDATE ITS POSITION; (3) THERE WOULD BE MUCH CONCERN ABOUT TROOP WITHDRAWAL--OVER WHAT TIME FRAME AND WHO WOULD GUARANTEE; AND (4) THE QUESTION OF RELEASING

POLITICAL PRISONERS AND DETAINEES WOULD LOOM LARGE.

3. CHONA IMMEDIATELY RECOGNIZED THAT IT WAS IMPORTANT THAT STANDS NOT BE TAKEN IN MAPUTO THAT WOULD JEOPARDIZE THE WORK DONE BY THE CONTACT GROUP. HOWEVER, HE SAID THE TYPE OF RESOLUTIONS COMING OUT OF MAPUTO ON NAMIBIA WOULD DEPEND ALMOST ENTIRELY ON SWAPO'S DESIRES. HE WOULD NOT PREDICT HOW SWAPO WOULD REACT TO THE PROGRESS MADE IN THE CAPETOWN TALKS AND HOW THIS WOULD AFFECT SWAPO'S APPROACH IN MAPUTO.
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